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Publications



Publications generally are sold by either the U.S. Census Bureau or the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office (GPO). The entries in this listing specify the correct form to use when ordering. For more details, see the "How to Order" section. Monthly and quarterly reports are available by subscription.

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BW/97-12. Monthly Wholesale Trade: Sales and Inventories, December 1997. 4 pp. \$1.50. Use the Census Bureau order form.

CB/98. Advance Monthly Retail Sales, January 1998. 4 pp. \$1. Use the Census Bureau order form.

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Current Foreign Trade Reports

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Current Industrial Reports

Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders, December 1997. 12 pp. \$1.75. Use the Census Bureau order form.

General and Reference

Census and You, Volume 33, No. 2/3. February/March 1998. 8 pp. \$2. Use the Census Bureau order form.

MPA/98-2. Monthly Product Announcement (MPA), February 1998. 8 pp. No charge. Use the Census Bureau order form.

Population

Current Population Reports

P-20. Population Characteristics

501. The Hispanic Population in the United States: March 1995 (Update). 2 pp. \$1. GPO S/N 803-005-00103-2. Use the GPO order form.

502. The Hispanic Population in the United States: March 1996 (Update). 2 pp. \$1. GPO S/N 803-005-00104-1. Use the GPO order form.

Population Paper Listings (PPL)

For information about the following product, contact Population Division, Statistical Information Staff; telephone 301-457-2422.

PPL-88. Estimates of the Population of Metropolitan Areas: July 1, 1996, and Percent Population Change: April 1, 1990 to July 1, 1996. \$21.

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CD-ROMs also can be prepared on request for data files otherwise available only on tape reel or cartridge. The cost for such CDs is the same as the cost for the tape file. The CD files are ASCII copies in the same format as on tape, and they are not



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This announcement lists all products issued in February 1998.

For a free paper-copy subscription or if you have any questions about the products listed in this issue, write or call Customer Services, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233. Phone 301-457-4100; TDD 301-457-4611; or fax 301-457-4714.

For a free E-mail subscription to MPA and other new product announcements, either (1) access our Internet Web site at <http://www.census.gov/mp/www/subscribe.html#SUB> and follow instructions, or (2) send an E-mail message to majordomo@census.gov including "subscribe product-announce" followed by your E-mail address.

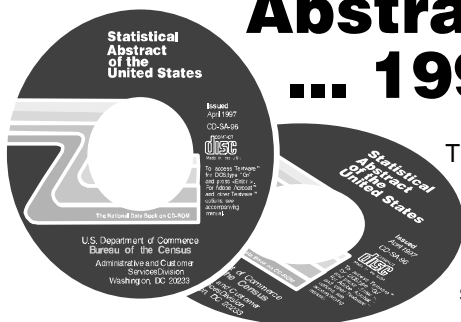
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An ever increasing variety of data files and product information (including this publication) can be accessed via the Internet. (See "Internet - New PDF Publications" section for more information.)

Free *Data Developments* booklets provide brief descriptions of most files. They may be requested from Customer Services. Use the Census Bureau order form. *Data Developments* from 1997- are available online (<http://www.census.gov/apsd/datadev/datadev1.html>).

CD-ROM Discs

CD-CPS97-03+INPOV. Current Population Survey, March 1997 (Annual Demographic File) and Income and Poverty, 1996. \$150.

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CD-TGR95-LV3-11. United States Summary. NOTE--Contains the entire United States (same data as on discs 1-10) for all information except the TIGER/Line files (roads, rivers, railroads, etc). Detailed networks of roads, rivers, and railroads based upon TIGER/Line 1995 files are included for Delaware, District of Columbia, and Prince

William County, VA to serve as samples of local disc content.

Microcomputer Diskettes

January 1998 and Historical Building Permits Data by State, Metropolitan Area, and Individual Permit-Issuing Places.

Number of diskettes varies. For ordering information, contact Manufacturing and Construction Division, Residential Construction Branch, telephone 301-457-1321.

Population Electronic (PE) Series

To order, contact Population Division, Statistical Information Staff; telephone 301-457-2422.

PE-60. Estimates of the Population of Metropolitan Areas: April 1, 1990 to July 1, 1996 (including NECMAs) - June 30, 1996 definition of metropolitan areas. 1 diskette. \$20.

Internet

All printed reports issued beginning January 1996 are available on our Web site (<http://www.census.gov/>). These documents are in Adobe Acrobat Portable Document Format. To view these publications, you will need Acrobat Reader, available free from the Adobe Web site. There is a link to this site from the Census Bureau's site. The direct URL is <http://www.census.gov/prod/www/titles.html>.

For up-to-date information on new additions to our Web site (including non-pdf files), sign up for a free E-mail subscription to the Census I-Net Bulletin at <http://www.census.gov/mp/www/subscribe.html#SUB>. You

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BR/97-12. Monthly Retail Trade: Sales and Inventories, December 1997. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/br-9712.pdf>>

BW/97-12. Monthly Wholesale Trade: Sales and Inventories, December 1997. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/bw-9712.pdf>>

C20/97-12. Housing Starts, December 1997. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/c20-9712.pdf>>

C22/97-12. Housing Completions, December 1997. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/c22-9712.pdf>>

C25/97-12. New One-Family Houses Sold, December 1997. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/c25-9712.pdf>>

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C50/97-Q2. Expenditures for Residential Improvements and Repairs, Second Quarter 1997. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/3/98pubs/c50-97q2.pdf>>

Population

P20-501. The Hispanic Population in the United States: March 1995 (Update). <<http://www.census.gov/prod/3/97pubs/p20-501.pdf>>

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When mass-produced, files on CD-ROM also are listed in the "Data Files" section earlier in this publication. Other tape files can be produced on CD-ROM by special order for the price of the tape. See the discussion under "Data Files."

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